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GENERAL AND REVENUE SECRETARIAT.

Serial Nos. 1—6

Major ~~Part~~ B. for march 85'

SUBJECT

Revision of the rules regulating the sale of Ganja and opium

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1. Govt Progs: (missing)
No. 9. of 1.3.84.
States that the rules regulating the sale of opium and Ganja requires revision, and requests proposals to be subd for such revision with revised forms of licenses
2. From. Mr D. C. Bangaloor
Dy No 7491/902 dt 20.2.85 & No 1199
Submits memo and its annextures for the information and orders of the dewan.

G. R. S. 58
GPB—4,000—4-7-11

3. To. The Dy Commrs of Districts
The Sub. Division Officers
The Comptroller.
The Supdt of Central Jail
No 6865-75 of 18.3.85.
Fixes the price at which opium shall be sold throughout the province of mysore.

4 To the Comptroller in C.
No 239 of 18.3.85
Notifies certain prices of opium for adoption throughout the province of mysore with effect from 1st April 85

5 From. The Asst to the Resident:
Dy No 15 78/98 & No 546/110. of 30.5.85
Requests to be informed of the circumstances under which, the rate at which, opium is sold to licensed ~~holders~~ Vendors and purchasers were raised.

6. To. The Asst Resident in mysore
C. No 637 mysore. 9.7.85
Forwards extract of paras 1 & 2 from proc's of the Dewan No 6865-75/149 of 28.3.85 explaining the reasons for raising the rates at which opium is to be sold by Govt to licensed Vendors and by the latter to the public.

Commissioner

Yours
Dewan

SECTION S. R.

FILE No. 1-83.

SERIAL No. 1

Govt. proceedings.

No 99 1-3-1884

States that the Rules regulating the sale of requires opium and Ganja ~~requires~~ revision and requests proposals to be submitted for such revision the revised forms of licence, after consultation with the statistics in possession of the Govt. Provincial.

Registered send at once
CR 20-2-85

Forwarded through the Head Superintendent
(General Serial No. 29.) 1497
1884-85. 902.

From The Offg Dy Commissioner
Bangalore District.

SECTION P. R.
FILE No. 1-83
SERIAL No. 2

To
The Secretary to the Dewan
of Mysore.

Dated 20th February 1885.
Despatched
Received

Enclosures No. 2.

General No.
D No. 1199. } 1884-85.

Dewan's Proceedings
No. 9 dated 1st March
1884, stating that the Rules
regulating the sale of
Opium and Ganja requ
revision and requesting
submission of proposal
for such revision with
revised forms of Licens
after consulting the
Statistics in the possess
of the Head Superviso

In reply, has the hon
to submit the accompany

Memo and its annexatures received from the Head Supervisor for the information and orders of the Dewan.

L. C. Cummings
Off Dy Commissioner.

JWLS

Memo. No. 457 dated 16th February 1886

Ref: Dewans Proceedings Camp No 9 dated 1st March 1884 in re-revision of opium and Ganja rules with statistics to be sent up by the Head Superviser.

Part I Ganja

1. In reply begs to report that Ganja being considered the most urgent of the two items has been completely dealt with vide references ending with Dewans Pro: No. 147 dated 24th November 1884. A Memo by the Head Superviser dated the 3rd February 1885 containing statistics for the whole Province with a plan for working the same on a centralized system is now under consideration of the Mysore Govt. Begs respectfully to solicit that Govt: be moved to sanction the new Ganja Rules at an early date as the system cannot be properly worked on the interests of Government effectually protected till the cultivation, production, transport and disposal of Ganja are as effectually secured and guarded as is now done for the kindred item of opium and as aimed at in the Excise Laws, wherein discretionary powers are left to the Local Government to deal with the whole matter and thus effectually protect the Excise Revenue. This matter is as important as it is urgent.

Part II Opium.

Revenue Past and Present

(1) Past. 2. Prior to the year 1880-81 the item of opium when given on contract fell under the "Panchabab" or was merged with Ganja and included in the lumpsum for toddy. It would be difficult to separate the three and even if this were possible the figures gleaned would be of little practicable utility for the figures so obtained would not represent the actual state of affairs and so render the data of any value. The right of "Importation" was restricted to the payment of an ad valorem duty of 5 percent and the Mysore State then realized from about Rs 1900 to Rs 3691 from this source yearly. According to

to Drs Buchanan and Balfour (vide Appendix No VI Page (11)) Mysore raised its own opium and the former states it "earned the very good opium" and the latter notes that 362 maunds were raised in 1871-72 and the opium made in 1870-71 was valued at Rs 46000 Rs. To this local Revenue and value of poppy pods and other incidental profits of the industry carried on at home, must be added—
All now lost to the Mysore State!!!

Present } 3. Since 1st April 1880 the opium has been imported from N. Bro Territories on invoices sent to the Comptroller from the Agent at Indore. Cultivation is stamped out and the opium is in consequence not produced in Mysore.

Opium Revenue Statistics } 4. No statistics appear the forthcoming of the opium Revenue in the accounts of the Revenue Office from 1880-81 to date. It would be very desirable that data should be collected and duly brought to book on this score in the Revenue Accounts as to: (1), Quantity imported and value (2), sold and value and (3) No of shops licensed and rate and amount of License Fees paid. For the object aimed at in this paper the figures given have been gleaned from the Comptroller's and District Treasury Offices, as well as from information personally obtained from Retail shops by the Head Superviser. It would appear that the sale proceeds of Malwa Opium "imported"

	Quantity	Value	
1882/83	3,982 4/15	= 29,867	realized 60,011 Rs in the two years noted in the margin. By referring to the last three invoices and bills received it has been gleaned that on an average 70 lbs 4 oz of opium cost the Mysore Government Rs 3/4 5/2/3. Taking the lb at 7,000 grs and the Mysore seer at 4,320 grs the quantity would be represented by 1,36 seers 7 tollas, and the value per seer would cost Rs 2/12/0. The tolla would thus cost Rs 0/1/10. To this 2 pies will have to be added for damage, wastage, Railway-fare &c, per tolla. The tolla of opium will thus cost Government 2 annas. It is sold to Retail Dealers direct from the Govt Treasury
1883/84	4,019 3/15	= 30,144	
Total	8,001 7/15	= 60,011	

Treasury (at Rs 7/8 or 5 annas per tolla. Government thus gets about annas 3 per tolla after paying all charges. The Retail Vendor sells the opium to the public at 9 Rs or annas 6 per tolla.

5. From enquiries made at Madras it is believed that the Retail Vend of Opium is given out on Contract and the Retail price is as high as 16 Rs, one Mysore seer of 24 tollas, (8 Pallams being sold to the public for Rs 16 and each pallam being equal to 3 tollas). The whole of the Madras arrangement as far as can be learned, appears to be unsound. The Mysore System is certainly more preferable in every way.

6. Until the Head Superviser is able to personally visit the B. Dis Territory he must refrain from advocating any changes in Mysore. But would advocate the following proposals to enhance the Government Revenue.

1st that the price of Opium be raised

2nd that the right to sell poppy-heads be leased out to the Ganja Contractors and that its sale be restricted to Opium shops as in Madras under the same Act (1 of 1878)

3rd that poppy cultivation be restored and the poppy heads instead of being imported be raised in Mysore as provided for in the Opium rules.

4th That the Government of India be moved to permit Mysore to raise its own Opium and if the right has been withdrawn that it be asked to be restored, on Mysore agreeing to pay any reasonable duty not exceeding 1/16 per tolla, now paid on the Opium imported from Indore for every tolla raised in Mysore, on such higher rate as may be fixed by the Government of India on the Market price of Opium, or, on such other reasonable basis as may be decided on — except the Indian Tariff Rate of 24 Rs per seer of 80 Tollas, which is virtually prohibitive.

7. As regards the 1st proposal beg to state that the retail rate of 6 annas per

per tolla ensures the drug being sold at 9 Rs per seer. The details of the rates are noted below; and, in juxta-position is given another table, which shows that by taking off the ½ grain from the Cashe's value of 2½ grains and so on in proportion, on the higher denominations of weights, the retail price will be raised to Rs 11/4 or 7 annas and 6 pies per tolla.

Present @ 6 annas			Proposed @ 7½ annas.			
Grs	Tollas	Rs-A-P.	Grs	Tallas	Rs-A-P.	Note.
180	— 1	= 0-6-0	180	1	= 0-7-6	Values to be stamped on weights as desired by the Dewan.
90	— ½	= " 3 "	90	½	= 0-3-9	
45	— ¼	= " 1-6	48	—	= 0-2-0	
22½	— ⅛	= " " 9	24	—	= 0-1-0	
15	— 1/12	= " " 6	12	—	= 0-0-6	
7½	— 1/24	= " " 3	6	—	= 0-0-3	
5	— 1/36	= " " 2	4	—	= 0-0-2	
2½	— 1/72	= " " 1	2	—	= 0-0-1	

8. The foregoing scale simplifies matters as regards weights. The bulk of the drug is sold for a cash and the sales for a Quarter or Half a tolla are exceptional. The public demand is not likely to be affected by such an insignificant factor. The weights are all of copper stamped by Government. The initial letter of the drug in the vernacular and the cost are also engraved on each weight. The Excise Officers are provided with standards to test the weights periodically when the drugs accounts now are all over-hauled. A system of testing the drug is adopted now which, with the Dewan's approval, will be generally followed all over the Province. (Vide appendix No VI) By this close supervision, the Government and public interests will be fully protected against fraudulent acts of the Retail Vendors all over the Province. Now taking the Revenue noted in para 4 the following details would exhibit the result for (1) the Civil and Military Station, (2) the Town and (3) other parts of Nuzvid for the two years noted, if the Government rate were to be enhanced as proposed by raising the price 25 per cent and reducing the weight by 20 per cent on existing scales. This proposal will thus enhance the Government Revenue from 7000 to 8000 Rs yearly. This sum is

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not to be despised in these very hard times, especially when such a large sum can be so easily acquired.

Data for 1882-83.		Data for 1883/84.	
	Present	Proposed	Present	Proposed
Cantt.	14,137-8-a	17,671-14-a	13,312-8-a	16,640-10-a
Town	3,307-8-a	4,134-8-a	4,415-a-a	5,518-12-a
all other places in Mysore	12,422-a-a	15,527-8-a	12,416-8-o	15,520-10-o
Total	29,867-a-a	37,333-14-o	30,144-o-o	37,680-a-a

9. In the absence of data for the second proposal Govt: will have to accept a nominal sum. But ere long statistics can be collected, if the item be brought directly under Govt control, and then Government will be able to get its rights.

10. As regards the 3rd proposal the grant of a special License needs only the sanction of the Dewan (Chief Commissioner heretofore), and the Deputy Commissioners can arrange for the issue of such Licenses especially in the Chickaballapur Taluk around about the Nandidroog Hill, where poppy-fields flourished in the good old times. The seed can be taken by the Cultivator (Kuo-Kus) and the pods made over to the Renter, at a fair valuation. The wholesale and Retail prices can be readily adjusted, if this scheme be sanctioned. Imported poppy-heads can then be taxed with an advalorem duty, of say 5 per cent, so as to foster the local industry. The local article will be a much more valuable medicinal Agent than the imported article, if the Opium be not extracted. Medical opinion appears to be divided on this point. But all depends it is believed on the time of gathering the crop-ripe or dry.

11. As regards the fourth point it appears to be very hard that the Mysore State should be debarred the privilege of raising its own drugs to the loss of an important industry, the Land revenue, and the incidental profits to both Government and the people that this boon carried.

with it before being sacrificed.

12. Begs to submit a copy of the Opium Act and Rules framed therein under. The latter have been revised and printed slips entered. The formal sanction of the Govt: of India will be needed to bring the same into effect under section 5 of the Act.—

13. Revised Wholesale and Retail Licenses are also submitted to be substituted for those originally appended to the Rules. All the wants of this Department are provided for therein and Govt: interests fully protected. It is proposed to grant the License in the form of an itinerating License, as has been approved of by the Dewan for Ganja recently. As provided for in the Ganja Rules it is also proposed to waive the right of levying License Fees on village opium shops in the New Opium Rules and granting the License Free, free. Eventually when the step justifies this, My Commissioners will be in a position to recommend the recovery of a "cess" —— on "excess sales" over 6 Rs in such cases as the sales leave a surplus in the Vendors hands after giving them the means of earning a livelihood. The scale is progressive.

14. The only way of putting down "Madat Khanas" would be to render the Act penal, when restored to, in the manner indicated. "Every man's house is his Castle" but when he collects a No: of Bhang-Washes or vicendo-wells and makes his "Castle" the means of spreading the evils of opium smoking, and actually does so as a means of enhancing his own income, or to secure the whole income in fact, he must be given to understand that his Act is a public nuisance and illegal under the Opium Laws. The rules provide for nothing more and the mode of procedure is simple. To stamp out the evil the course

indicated

indicated is the only legal way open.

15. Respectfully solicits this memo and its accompaniments may be submitted to the Dewan at once, as the Excise Laws generally are now engaging the attention of Govern= =ment. If the Dy Commissioner's Cover be given to the Head Superintendent the papers will be taken up and personally put before the Dewan, as Arrack and Ganja have been done, so that the matter may be expeditiously disposed of. The new scheme can then come into force, with the other items alluded to, in all April of the ensuing official year.

P.S. It is also very desirable that Govt. be moved to grant powers to Z.D.C. (Excise) Madras also to try Spirit cases especially hereafter by the Z.C. Rules.

1884-85 — 1885 — L.I.O. 1

From,

The Head Superintendent,
Govt: Distillery,

To,

The Deputy Commissioner,
Bangalore Dt.

Dated 16 Feby/85.

No 457.

Encl: one Bk: & 1 Mos:

Submitting a report regarding, and proposals for, the revision of the Rules regulating the sale of Opium and Ganja, with a revised copy of the Rules and Licenses.

(General Serial No. 31.)

1885.

From Rew:

To

SECTION S.R.
FILE No. 1-83
SUB-No. 3

Dated 18th March

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Received

Enclosures No.

General No. 1885-75
No. 149

Fixing the price at which opium shall be sold throughout the Province of Bryan.

Final proof paid

2 encl.

Read Distillery Head Supervisor's
memorandum received with
the letter No 1199 of the 20 Feb. 1888
from the Dy. Commr of
Bangalore.

No 6865-75 dt 18.3.88.
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Order.

In his memorandum
above read, the Head
Supervisor brings to notice
that the price at which
opium is now sold
public in the Bar
District, viz Rs 9 p
is very low compared
the price fixed in the
Madras Presidency which
is Rs 16 per seer, and suggests
that the same be raised
to Rs 11/4/- per seer. The
price at which the drug
is now sold in Bangalore to

the Vendors to Rs. 7/8/- per
seer as prescribed by para
1 of the late Chief Commr's
Pro: No. 6898-1907 dated
Rs. 1209
27th March 1880. The suggested
increase of the retail
price will necessitate
revision of the ~~price~~ rate
which Govt: sells the
opium to the Vendor, ~~and~~
appreciable hardship
caused by this
much ~~ditto~~ to the
consumer ~~or to the Vendor~~,
~~the~~ the Government will
the increased rate,
2 grains instead of
grains of opium for a Re
1, the loss being ~~only~~
grain per cash, which
an inconsiderable
2 following prices
accordingly sanctioned
herewith of those

authorized by Proceedings of the 27th March 1880 for adoption throughout the Province with effect from 1st April 1885.

Price at which Govt. shall sell opium to Vendors — 6¼ annas per tola or Rs 9/6/- per seer of 24 tolas.

Price at which Vendor shall sell opium to the public — 7½ annas per tola or Rs 11/4/- per seer of 24 tolas.

So ——

3 The appended forms of licenses for medical practitioners and for Wholesale & Retail Vendors;

End of Account & Permit Books to be Kept by Vendors 4

~~the approval of the Govt. of H. E. the Viceroy~~ are hereby prescribed for adoption.

4. No fee shall be levied for licenses issued to medical practitioners. A fee of Rs 9 per quarter shall be levied for each

Wholesale and Retail
Vendor's license in the
Towns of Bangalore, Mysore,
Shemoga & Chikmagalur,
and in all other stations
no fee shall be charged
for the Vendor's license
except where the sales
in any shop exceed
Rs. 6/- per month in which
case a small fee of
8 annas per measure
shall be levied.

5 The Superintendent
of the Central Jail will
be requested to make up
at the Central Jail the
weights required to
correspond with the
prices now sanctioned,
in accordance with
samples which will be
furnished by the
Head

Head Supervisor - the
Cost of these weights
will be recovered from
the Vendors to whom they
may be supplied - Dy.
Commrs & Sub Division Officers
are requested to apply
at once to the Head Super-
-visor, Central Distillery,
for the weights and Pass
and Account Books required
for the Opium shops in their
respective ranges -

6 - The present arrangement
under which the Vendors
of Opium have to obtain
their supply from the Distt
Treasuries entails some
trouble on the Vendors living
at a distance from
the Dt. Head Quarters.
In order to remove
this hardship, the Govt
be requested to relax the rule
directs that

ion
be made ~~by the Comptroller~~
for supplying Opium to
Vendors from Taluk
treasuries, from 1st April
1885.

The ~~management of~~ Excise
Officer shall ~~have~~
~~the supervision of~~
supervise the
Issue of ~~Bhang~~ Opium
& Ganja Revs.

Prob Secr

To. The Dy Comrs of Dts
The Sub Div Officers
The Comptroller
The Supdt of the Central Jail
Bangalore

Noted

1885.

GOVERNMENT OF MYSORE.

REVENUE.

PROCEEDINGS.

Dated 18th March 1885.

No. 6865-75.
149.

Fixing the price at which opium shall be sold throughout the Province of Mysore.

Mysore Government Press, Bangalore.—21-3-85.—80.

Proceedings of the Dewan to His Highness the Maharaja of Mysore, (Revenue),—dated 18th March 1885.

READ—

Distillery Head Supervisor's Memorandum received with the letter No. 1199 of the 20th February 1885 from the Deputy Commissioner of Bangalore.

No. 6865-75—149, DATED 18TH MARCH 1885.

ORDER.—In his memorandum above read, the Head Supervisor brings to notice that the price at which opium is now sold to the public in the Bangalore District *viz.* Rs. 9 per seer, is very low compared with the price fixed in the Madras Presidency which is Rs. 16 per seer, and suggests that the same be raised to Rs. 11—4—0 per seer. The price at which the drug is now sold by Government to the vendors is Rs. 7—8—0 per seer as prescribed by para 1 of the late Chief Commissioner's Proceedings No. 6898-6907—Rev. 1209, dated 27th March 1880. The suggested increase of the retail price will necessitate a revision of the rate at which Government sells the drug to the vendor, but no appreciable hardship will be caused by this arrangement to the consumer.

2. The following prices are accordingly sanctioned in supersession of those authorized by Proceedings of the 27th March 1880 for adoption throughout the Province with effect from 1st April 1885 :—

Price at which Government shall sell opium to vendors ...	6¼ Annas per tola or Rs. 9—6—0 per seer of 24 tolas. ✓
Price at which vendor shall sell opium to the public ...	7½ Annas per tola or Rs. 11—4—0 per seer of 24 tolas. ✓

3. The appended forms of licenses for medical practitioners and for wholesale and retail vendors and of account and permit books to be kept by vendors are hereby prescribed for adoption.

4. No fee shall be levied for licenses issued to medical practitioners. A fee of Rs. 9 per quarter shall be levied for each wholesale and retail vendor's license in the Towns of Bangalore, Mysore, Shimoga and Chikmagalur, and in all other stations no fee shall be charged for the vendor's license except where the sales in any shop exceed Rs. 6 per month in which case a small fee of 8 Annas per mensem shall be levied.

5. The Superintendent of the Central Jail will be requested to make up at the Central Jail the weights required to correspond with the prices now sanctioned, in accordance with samples which will be furnished by the Head Supervisor. The cost of these weights will be recovered from the vendors to whom they may be supplied Deputy Commissioners and Sub-Division Officers are requested to apply at once to the Head Supervisor, Central Distillery, for the weights and pass and account books required for the opium shops in their respective ranges.

6. The present arrangement under which vendors of opium have to obtain their supply from the District Treasuries entails some trouble on vendors living at a distance from the District Head-quarters. In order to remove this hardship, the Comptroller will be requested to report whether satisfactory arrangements can be made for supplying opium to vendors from Taluk Treasuries, from 1st April 1885.

7. The Excise officers shall supervise the items of opium and ganja revenue.

R. VIJAYINDRA RAO,
Secretary.

To—The Deputy Commissioners of Districts.
The Sub-Division Officers.
The Comptroller.
The Superintendent of the Central Jail, Banga

Proceedings of the Dewan to His Highness the Maharaja of Mysore, (Revenue),—dated 18th March 1885.

OPIUM FORM I.

Special License to Medical Practitioner under Opium Rule VII framed under Opium Act I of 1878.

I.—Special license granted to
following the profession of at
in the District of for the sale of opium by retail, on the condition that the said shall not have in his possession at one time more than one seer of opium and that such opium shall be procured from the Deputy Commissioner's office, or a licensed vendor and shall be used *bonâ fide* as medicine or in medicinal preparations or prescriptions. This license shall continue in force till recalled or cancelled by competent authority, or resigned in writing by the holder to the signatory thereof.

II.—The opium locally obtained by the holder of this license shall be covered by a "Pass" in the prescribed form (supplied on application through the Head Supervisor, Abkari Department, on payment). The medical practitioner shall satisfy himself that the entry of the quantity purchased from the Government Treasury or authorized vendor, &c., has been duly booked and attested and covers the quantity actually indented for by him.

III.—The holder of this license shall keep a true and correct account in the prescribed form (which shall be furnished on application and payment to the Head Supervisor, Abkari Department), and it shall be produced whenever required by the officers of Excise or of other Departments authorized to demand the same. Turkey opium and other admixtures of opium (liquids or solids), when essentially required, can be obtained from Europe or elsewhere, provided the opium thus represented be separately brought to book monthly in a memo at the foot of the account under advertence and duly accounted for thereafter separately from that locally purchased from Government or vendors in the said account book.

IV. On the infringement of any of the above articles or any conditions imposed by Opium Act I of 1878 or by the rules framed thereunder, the holder of this license renders himself liable to be taken in the manner required by law before a Magistrate having jurisdiction by any of the officers of Excise, or other Departments authorized on this behalf and on conviction to be punished to the extent prescribed in Section 9 of Opium Act I of 1878, *viz.* with imprisonment which may extend to one year, or with fine which may extend to Rs. 1,000, or with both, and in default of payment of the fine so imposed, with imprisonment which may extend to 6 months; such imprisonment for default of payment of fine being in excess of any other imprisonment to which he may have been sentenced. Further this license and any other license or licenses that the holder may have obtained for the sale of opium shall be forfeited.

Noted. *Magistrate & Dy. Commissioner, District.*

Superintendent of Police, District.

Note (A.)—A counterpart of this license will be signed by the license-holder and deposited in the Deputy Commissioner's office under the conditions laid down in Section 25 of the Opium Act I of 1878.

FORM II.

License for the Sale of Opium by Wholesale and Retail, granted under the Rules Nos. XIII and XIV of the Rules framed under the provisions of Opium Act I of 1878.

1. Registered No.
2. Name of License-Holder.
3. Name of Vendor or Shop-man.
4. Permanent Locality. { Place. / Name of Street / Door No.

	Names of Villages.	*Miles from Permanent Shop.*
5. Details of Itinerating Localities.	1.	
	2.	
	3.	
	4.	

Proceedings of the Dewan to His Highness the Maharaja of Mysore, (Revenue),—dated 18th March 1885.

Be it known that I , Deputy Commissioner and District Magistrate of , under Sections XIII and XIV of the Mysore Opium Rules published under Notification No. dated the 1884 and framed under the provisions of Opium Act I of 1878, do hereby grant this license for the wholesale and retail vend of opium and its preparations to , residing in the Town or Village of in the Taluk of in the District of in the Mysore Province, on the following conditions and restrictions, the infringement of any of which shall render the guilty parties liable to the penalties involved for a breach of these License Rules, or of the Opium Laws to which such breach may be applicable on trial before a Magistrate.

I. That the license shall not be transferable by sale, gift, mortgage or otherwise, and that no persons except such as are named herein shall have power to act under it.

II. That the vendor shall equally with the license-holder be responsible for breach of any of the conditions of this license.

III. That all opium shall be purchased by the license-holder or vendor from the Government Treasury or from any other licensed-vendor only, provided it be opium that had been purchased from Government and none other; and the purchase in either case be covered by a pass in the prescribed form (Serial No. 3, to be supplied on application by the Head Supervisor, Government Distillery, on payment) for the quantity purchased.

IV. That the license-holder or vendor shall pay a fee of rupees per quarter for the time this license is in force and that the same shall be paid quarterly in advance, *viz.*, on the 1st of April, July, October 188 and January 188 , and in default shall be dealt with as laid down in Section 23, Act I of 1878 (Opium Act) or Section 25 of the said Act by realizing the fee from the surety given by the shop-keeper for the fulfilment of his engagement. (See Note E under Rule 21 below.)

V. That all sales of opium shall be made by the license-holder or vendor in the said shop and not elsewhere under any pretext whatsoever, except where this license held as an "Itinerating License" when the sales shall be restricted to the circle for which it may have been granted as prescribed at the head of this license; while, in other respects, the conditions and restrictions laid down in this license, and the Mysore Opium Rules and Act shall be strictly complied with by the "Itinerant" holding this license. The Itinerating license-holders shall take the license, permit or pass and shop account books first to the Amil of the place, if it be a Taluk Kasaba, and also to the Police Station officer. At all other places to the Village Patel. These officers on satisfying themselves of the identity of the party being the same as named in the license and by reference to his books, &c., shall *forthwith* permit the holder or vendor named therein, to sell the same and take steps to see that the rules are not infringed.

VI. That the whole of the stock on hand shall be always kept by the license-holder or vendor in the shop. No items of food or drink shall be vended in any retail opium shop. The retail shop shall be *bonâ fide* a drug shop only in large towns, but in outlying places the miscellaneous store or shop, where grain, &c., is sold to the villagers can also sell drugs under license.

VII. That all pure opium *bonâ fide* sold, or offered, or retained for sale as such, shall not be adulterated, but sold, or offered, or retained for sale in the exact condition in which it was purchased from the Government Treasury by the license-holder or vendor, saving where the outer coating has become dirty, &c., when such dirt, &c., shall be duly removed ere such parts are sold, or offered, or retained for consumption by the public. The retail price of opium to the public throughout the Province shall be for the present Rs. 11—4—0 per seer of 24 tolas. That any preparations or admixtures of opium, other than pure opium, shall be kept duly labelled, and offered or sold *bonâ fide* as such and duly accounted for in the shop accounts. Such wastage derived from the coating, &c., on opium above alluded to can be utilized for the preparation of "Maddat" which can be sold at the bar but not consumed on the premises under any pretext whatever, nor sold to any one publicly or privately keeping a "Maddat-khana," or any institutions under any other name whatsoever, to smoke or consume opium or ganja or any of the preparations thereof, either in behalf of the holders or vendors of this license, or in his own, or on behalf of other parties; as the consumption of drugs thus is strictly interdicted under the Mysore Opium and Ganja Rules and a breach thereof shall entail the penalties prescribed being rigidly enforced on all directly or indirectly concerned therein, by the Magistracy. Maddat purchased by private individuals may be consumed by themselves, but not *sold to others.*

VIII. The scales and weights used by the license-holder or vendor shall be true and accurate, and the latter bear the Government stamp with the quantity represented by such weight duly impressed thereon, while the use of temporary weights, wax and other such fixtures, to adjust the scales, shall be and the same are hereby strictly interdicted. Stamped standard weights, and scales only, shall be used and will be issued on application to the Head Supervisor, Central Distillery, with cash remitted through the Amildar of the Taluk, by the license-holder.

IX. That the license-holder or vendor shall not receive any wearing apparel, or any other articles whatsoever, in barter or pledge for opium sold. Payments for opium shall be made in ready money only, and the said license-holder or vendor shall not knowingly sell or give any opium to any person under 16 years of age. The quantity that can be sold by retail shall not exceed 3 tolas. Any larger

quantity sold shall be considered as a wholesale sale (*Vide* Section I, Clause 6 of the Opium Rules, dated 4th February 1880, No. 64.) The holders of this license or the vendors named therein are hereby empowered to vend by wholesale in the three following cases and under the conditions set forth below :—

(1.) Under the special orders of the Deputy Commissioner, or any Magistrate having local jurisdiction in the place where applicant resides.

(2.) To another licensed opium vendor, but in quantities of not less than one seer of 24 tolas weight.

(3.) To any medical practitioner licensed under the Mysore Opium Rules, but not *more* than one seer of 24 tolas weight.

(4.) In the first case the number and date of the Magistrate's order shall be quoted, and the said order shall be endorsed as having been complied with under the date and signature of the license-holder or vendor. In the second and third cases the quantity sold shall be entered in the Government pass or permit books to be produced by the purchasing license-vendors and duly accounted for in the retail shop books of both selling and purchasing vendors, &c., as laid down in License Rule No. XI. These sales shall be made for not more than eight annas *over* the rate at which the opium was purchased from the Government when the shop is at Treasury head-quarters, and one rupee at all other places ; and the prices so charged shall be duly entered in the said permit books.

X. That the license-holder or vendor's shop shall be an open "Dukán" and no windows shall be allowed to the rear or ends of the building. That the whole shop shall be so constructed that all persons inside shall be clearly seen through the door or windows by any one passing to and fro in the street, and that no second room shall be allowed therein. The use of boxes, screens, &c., to conceal the scales and weights, &c., from the eye of the public shall be, and the same is hereby, interdicted, while notices pointing out a breach of these and all other rules of Government issued through the "Excise Officer" shall be at once complied with and the course prescribed therein acted up to without fail by both the license-holders and vendors. A disregard of such notice shall itself be considered to be a breach of these rules when the request made therein is good and valid and on reasonable grounds. An explanation for breaches of these rules shall be furnished to the Excise officer by the license-holder or vendor answerable therefor, in writing, attested by him and one or two witnesses. If the party cannot himself write, the explanation shall be taken down in writing by the "Excise Officer" in the form of query and answer, and read over to the party at fault and the witnesses in their own vernaculars, and duly attested by them. The Excise officer shall then initial and date the same and submit the papers to the Head Supervisor, his immediate superior, or the Magistrate as the case may be, for orders.

XI. That all purchases of opium made by the license-holder or vendor shall be covered by a "Pass" in the prescribed form (Serial No. 3 to be furnished on application to the Head Supervisor, Government Distillery, on payment) to be made as for account book, see Rule VIII, and duly entered therein, and each sale shall be dated and attested by the officer of Government or the vendor authorized to make such sales to another vendor or medical practitioner in such "Pass." The selling and purchasing vendors shall be held jointly and severally responsible that the quantity covered by such entries are *bonâ fide* sales and duly attested by the selling vendor. The quantity so sold shall appear opposite the date the sale was effected in the vendor's account, (Serial No. 4 to be furnished on application to the Head Supervisor, Government Distillery, on payment) which shall be in the form prescribed, quoting the number of the license of the purchasing shop-keeper, &c.

XII. That the license-holder or vendor shall not open his shop, or make sales therein before 6 A. M. and that he shall not keep it open, or make sales therein after 9 P. M., except on special permits in cases of Native festivals, &c., to be freely granted by the Magistracy ; and that he shall not harbour any person therein during the night.

XIII. That the license-holder or vendor shall not permit prostitutes nor persons of notoriously bad character to resort to his shop or remain therein ; that he shall prevent gaming and disorderly conduct therein ; and that he shall give information to the nearest Magistrate or Police officer of any suspected person who may resort to his shop.

XIV. That the license-holder or vendor shall not sell nor give opium nor any admixture or preparation of opium, either directly or indirectly, to any European, non-commissioned or warrant officer, or private soldier, or to any European, or East Indian woman connected with or related to men of those classes.

XV. That the license-holder or vendor shall not permit the consumption of opium, or any admixture or preparation of opium, in the shop or on the premises, under any pretext whatever.

XVI. That the license-holder or vendor shall have constantly fixed up, at the entrance of his shop, a sign-board bearing the following inscription, in legible characters in the vernacular language, painted thereon, thus :—

License No. 16.
B. A. Timmaiya, License-holder.
"Licensed to sell Opium."

XVII. That if the license-holder or vendor buy less than seers, which is the quantity estimated to be sold by retail in each month, he shall, if required, explain the reason of the falling off to the Deputy Commissioner (through the Excise officer) and failing the explanation being reasonable and satisfactory, that officer shall deal with the vendor departmentally by fine or cancelment of license or direct his prosecution before a Magistrate for breach of this license rule, if the circumstance of the case renders this course advisable in the interests of Government.

XVIII. That the license-holder or vendor shall keep up daily an account which shall be true and correct and in the prescribed form (to be furnished to him on application to the Head Supervisor, Government Distillery, on payment); the instructions contained wherein shall be strictly observed by the said license-holder. Preparations of opium shall be separately accounted for. The quantity of pure opium taken for these preparations shall be duly booked in the column provided therefor in the regular opium account, and the quantity of the preparations made therefrom and the sales shall appear in the particular Account, opened for each preparation separately in the shop account book.

XIX. That the license-holder or vendor shall immediately produce his license, pass book and accounts for inspection on the demand of any officer of any of the Departments of Excise, Police, Customs, Municipal, Opium, Revenue or Judicial Departments superior in rank to a peon or constable, and that he shall not prevent any such officer of whatever rank from entering his shop at any hour of the day or night.

XX. This license shall have effect from to , unless a special order recalling it has been issued by the Deputy Commissioner.

XXI. This license may be recalled by the Deputy Commissioner under the following conditions :—

(*a*) for default of punctual payment of the fee stipulated to be paid in Rule IV, after trial of the procedure laid down therein ;

(*b*) for violation of any of the conditions specified in this license ;

(*c*) if the holder of this license be convicted of a breach of the peace or any other criminal offence.

Note A.—Should the license be recalled for any of these causes, the license-holder shall have no claim to any compensation whatever, or to any refund of any fee or instalment thereof already paid. But it shall be in the discretion of the Deputy Commissioner to make such compensation or refund, should he consider it necessary or advisable to do so.

Note B.—Should the Deputy Commissioner desire to recall this license before the expiry of the period for which it has been granted, for any cause other than those hereinbefore specified, he shall give fifteen days' previous notice to the license-holder or vendor and remit a sum equal to the fee for fifteen days, or, if notice be not given, shall make such further compensation, in default of notice, as the Government may direct.

Note C.—This license may be surrendered by the license-holder on his giving one month's notice to the Deputy Commissioner and paying such fine, not exceeding the amount of the fee for six months, or the loss caused to Government by the failure to carry out any condition imposed, as the Deputy Commissioner may adjudge.

Note D.—Should the Deputy Commissioner be satisfied that the reason for surrendering the license is adequate, he may, with the sanction of the Dewan, remit the fine.

Note E.—Counterpart of this license will be signed by the license-holder and vendors and deposited in the office of the Deputy Commissioner under the conditions laid down in Section 25 of the Opium Act I of 1878.

XXII. On the infringement of any of the above articles or of any of the conditions imposed by the Opium Act of 1878, or by the Rules made thereunder, the license-holder or vendor, or both as the case may be, renders himself liable to be taken before a Magistrate (in the manner required by law) having jurisdiction, by any of the officers named in Section XIX of this license and tried, convicted and punished to the extent prescribed in Section 9 of Opium Act I of 1878, *viz.*, with imprisonment which may extend to one year, or with fine which may extend to Rs. 1,000, or with both, and in default of payment of such fine so imposed, with imprisonment which may extend to six months ; such imprisonment being in excess of any other imprisonment to which he may have been sentenced. Further this license and any other license or licenses that the holder may have obtained for the sale of opium or other drugs shall be forfeited if the convicting Magistrate or the Deputy Commissioner shall deem fit.

Noted.

DATED 188 .

Superintendent of Police.

DATED 188 .

DATED 188 .

Deputy Commissioner, District.

Serial No. 3.

Opium Account of Shop No. *Door No.*
in the *Taluk* *District*
Name of License-Holder

1	2		3		4		5		6		7		8		9				10
Year, Month and Date.	Quantity of Opium in store from yesterday.		Quantity of Opium received this day and whence received		Total quantity to be accounted for.		Quantity used in the preparation of.		Quantity sold this day.		Total Expenditure col. 5 & 6 added together.		Quantity left in store col. 7 deducted from col. 4.		Rate.				Remarks
			District Treasury.	From another.											Treasury.		Retail.		
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Total.																			

Here Signature of the License-Holder or Vendo

I. This shop account must be kept "true and correct" in the form prescribed and without errors (*vide* examp printed and appended to book.) If errors occur, they might be such as to render the account false an thereby entail the License Rules being enforced on shop-keeper. This account book should be kej always in the shop and produced to the Abkari and other officers authorized to demand the same wit the treasury permit or pass book and license.

II. Column 7 has been added to facilitate check and render the account clear to the license-vendor.

III. Column 9 data needed to furnish statistics when required by Government.

IV. In the column of Remarks if opium be sold to chemists and druggists on "Medical Practitioner's license or on Magistrate's special passes, the name of purchaser and quantity sold should be specified for eac sale effected, opposite the date concerned, with the number of the license or Magistrate's authorit therefor.

V. The license-vendor should check the entries daily and attest this account after being totalled up monthl as indicated above.

VI. In column V the opium used for Maddat, &c., should be noted, but separately accounted for in th form on another page.

Serial No. 4.

Government Pass Book for Opium.

Permit to pass the following Opium issued from the Government Treasury Store to Sho
No. *Door No.* *in the Village of*
in the District of

Year, Month and Date.	Shop No.	Locality.	Name of License-holder.	Quantity and Value of Opium purchased.				Treasury Accountant's Initials.	Treasury Officer's Signature.	Remarks.
				Seers.	Rs.	A.	P.			

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(General Serial No. 31.)

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From FILE No. 1-83

SERIAL N 4

To The Computer.

Dated 18 March.

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Enclosures No.

General No. 239 "R"
No.

Notifying certain prices of Opium for adoption throughout the Province of Mysore with effect from 1 April/85.

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No 23 C

18th March 1885

Notification

It is hereby notified for general information that the following prices of opium are sanctioned in supersession of those authorized by Proceedings of the 27th March 1880, for adoption throughout the Province of Impose with effect from 1st April 1885

Price at which Government shall sell opium to Vendors } 6¼ annas per tola or Rs 9/6/- per seer of 24 tolas

Price at which Vendors shall sell opium to the public } 7½ annas per tola or Rs 11/4/- per seer of 24 tolas.

2. The appended form of licenses for medical practitioners and for Wholesale and Retail Vendors and of Account and Permit Books to be kept by Vendors are hereby prescribed for adoption.

3. No fee shall be leviable for licenses issued to Medical practitioners. A fee of Rs 5 per quarter shall be

lost —
7½ − 6¼ = 1¼ as per tola
5/4 × 24 = 30 as = 1-14-0 per seer

levied" for each Wholesale and Retail Vendor's license in the Towns of Bangalore, Mysore, Shimoga and Chikmagalur, and in all other stations no fee shall be charged for the Vendor's license except where the sales in any shop exceed Rs 6/- per month, in which case a small fee of 8 annas per mensem shall be levied.

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SECTION S. & R. Office of the Resident in Mysore.
FILE No. 1-83 Bangalore, 30th May 1885.
To
SERIAL No. 5

The Dewan

of Mysore.

Sir,

The Resident has observed that by Notification No 239 dated the 18th March 1885, the Government of His Highness the Maharaja of Mysore have raised the rates at which opium is sold to licensed vendors and to purchasers in the Mysore State.

2. As it may be necessary to enhance, by an equivalent amount the rates of selling price of opium obtaining in the Civil and Military Station of Bangalore, in order to prevent illicit traffic in opium between the Assigned Tract and Mysore territory, I am directed to request that you will be so good as to acquaint the Resident with the circumstances under which His Highness's Government considered an enhancement of the existing rates desirable in Mysore.

I have the honour to be,
Sir,
Your most obedient Serv.

A. Macleod
Assistant to the Resi

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SECTION

FILE No.

SERIAL No.

From

The Assistant to the Resident

Dated 30th. Augt.

No. 546/110.

Reference CR 1-6-85

Requesting to be informed of the circumstances under which the the rates at which opium is issued to licensed vendors and purchasers were raised

Submitted

Forward the extract marked in the printed Pro, which gives the information asked for

CR 3-6-85